



# THE HAZELNUT

*A City of Tukwila publication for our residential and business communities*

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## TUKWILA'S SUMMERTIME FAMILY FUN IS BACK!



### Tuesday, August 2 is the "Night Out Against Crime"

Join your neighbors in an evening of get-togethers that strengthen neighborhood spirit and partnerships in fighting back against crime. It's a great way for neighbors to get to know each other and to meet representatives from the Police Department and other City offices who visit each gathering. For more information about parties in your community, please call Community-Policing Coordinator Chris Partman at 206-431-2197.

### FREE PEANUT BUTTER AND JAM NOONTIME CONCERT SERIES

*Fridays, July 29 through August 19  
12:00 NOON to 1:00PM at the  
TCC Spray Park*

Tukwila Parks & Recreation is proud to announce this popular noontime concert series at Tukwila's Community Center is back and ready to entertain kids and families! Pack the picnic basket and blanket and come watch your kids dance and sing to the tunes of their favorite performers (you can dance and sing too...we won't tell!)

**July 29 - The Brian Waite Band**

**August 5 - The Not-Its!**

**August 12 - Casper Baby pants**

**August 19 - Harmonica Pocket**

### SUMMERTIME OUTDOOR CINEMA SERIES

*Fridays, July 29 through August 19  
Open at 8:00PM, movies start at dusk  
at the Tukwila Community Center*

Bring your own lawn chair or cozy up under a blanket for an enjoyable evening in the park under the stars. These shows are FREE, but we ask you bring two cans of food per family member to help support the Tukwila Food Pantry. Monetary donations are also accepted.

**July 29 - Shrek Forever After (PG)**

**August 5 - Disney's Tangled (PG)**

**August 12 - Yogi Bear (PG)**

**August 19 - Alpha and Omega (PG)**

*Sponsorship opportunities are available;  
for additional information, please call  
Volunteer & Events Superintendent  
Tracy Gallaway at 206-768-2822.*

### Mapping radiation levels and locations in Puget Sound

If you've heard a low-flying helicopter over Tukwila, it's part of a Washington State Department of Health project to gather radiological readings around Puget Sound, including Tukwila. The DOH scheduled July to deploy the U.S. Department of Energy's Remote Sensing Laboratory Aerial Measurement System in our area. Making daily flights out of Boeing Air Field, the helicopter flies a grid pattern at an altitude of about 300 feet to collect survey data.

Following the devastating earthquake, tsunami and resultant nuclear incidents in Fukushima, Japan, one of the lessons learned was the need to know the "background" (normal) levels of radiation in the area. ("Background" is naturally occurring radiation in soil, groundwater, building materials, etc.) In Japan, they did not have background level information available for all areas at risk from the radiation fallout. Without a baseline for comparison, it was unclear if the readings they were getting were the "normal background" levels or the result of contaminants released from the damaged nuclear plant.

This survey will greatly help our region if we were ever to have some sort of nuclear problem. Further information about the project is available on the agency Aerial Radiological Survey website: [www.doh.wa.gov/ehp/rp/rep/aerial.htm](http://www.doh.wa.gov/ehp/rp/rep/aerial.htm).



**Tukwila has a new online address!  
look for us now at  
[TukwilaWA.gov](http://TukwilaWA.gov)**

**March 2011**

Appointed David Shumate to Planning Commission.

Approved resolution declaring emergency in response to public property damages caused by collapsed sanitary sewer.

Authorized an agreement with PACE Engineers for Storm Water Lift Station #15 Improvements.

Authorized an agreement with Puget Sound Energy for Tukwila Urban Center Access Project.

Authorized Interlocal and Assignment Agreements with City of Renton and Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway Company for Strander Boulevard Extension Phase II Project.

Held public meeting regarding Comprehensive Plan Amendments.

**April 2011**

Awarded bid to Pacific Golf & Turf for purchase of 34 gas-powered golf carts.

Approved ordinance establishing special provisions for five-story type V-A construction.

Approved ordinances updating Fire regulations in Tukwila Municipal Code regarding fire protection systems in new and existing buildings, automatic fire alarm systems in new and existing buildings, and certain fire protection standards for the construction of high-rise buildings; establishing new regulations regarding certain fire protection standards for construction of mid-rise buildings; and classifying fire lane parking violations as civil infractions.

Approved resolution stating interest in commencing negotiations for Interlocal Agreement with King County to annex certain unincorporated island of territory known as the North Highline Potential Annexation Area.

Authorized lease agreement with Clear Channel Outdoor, Inc., for operation of digital billboard.

Authorized change order with Atkinson Construction to institute project acceleration for Tukwila Urban Access (Klickitat) Project.

Reappointed Brian Kennedy to Arts Commission.

Reappointed Arthur Rosengren to Community-Oriented Policing Citizens Advisory Board.

Reappointed Thomas McLeod and Brooke Alford, and appointed Mikel Hansen and Aaron Hundtofte to the Planning Commission/Board of Architectural Review.

Reappointed Sharon Baker-Myklebust and Audrey Davis to Sister Cities Committee.

Reappointed Sharon Kidd and Steve Miller to Library Advisory Board.

Reappointed Joanne McManus and appointed Donald Scanlon to Parks Commission.

**May 2011**

Held public hearing and passed ordinance to modify definition of Diversion Facilities, and expanding zones where diversion and diversion interim services facilities can locate.

Approved ordinance to add "temporary business license" to definitions and fee schedule, to revise appeal procedures, to redefine businesses exempt from fees, and to clarify Revenue Generating Regulatory License (RGRL) fee.

Appointed Ronald Johnston to Civil Service Commission.

Reappointed Sharon Kidd and Linda Weedman to Human Services Advisory Board.

Authorized application for Community Development Block Grant funds for 2012 Minor Home Repair Program to serve cities of Tukwila, SeaTac, Des Moines, Covington and Pacific.

Provided written assurance that lease for Way Back Inn will be for 10-year term contingent on receipt of grant from Boeing Employees Community Fund.

Approved resolution opposing federal preemption of local and land use authority related to railroads, and urging US Congress to clarify its intent regarding local authority.

**June 2011**

Confirmed appointment of Mike Villa as Chief of Police.

Authorized negotiations with Tukwila Village Development Associates, LLC to purchase and develop approximately 5.76 acres of City property known as Tukwila Village, located at Tukwila International Blvd and S 144th Street.

Held public hearing and approved an ordinance regarding Comprehensive Plan Amendments for Manufacturing Industrial Center (MIC).

Awarded bid to R.L. Alia Company for Interurban Avenue South Gravity Sewer Project.

Held a public hearing and approved a resolution regarding the 2012-2017 Transportation Improvement Plan.

Approved a fireworks permit for a fireworks display at the Family Fourth at the Fort celebration on July 4, 2011.

Authorize Mayor to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with City of Kent regarding Tukwila South permitting authority.

Approved resolution in support of ballot measure on formation of Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District



Join us on the  
second Saturday  
of each month  
from 10:00AM  
to 12:00NOON

Come join us at  
**FRIENDZ CAFE**

**12930 E Marginal Way S**

(Phone 206-246-2401)

**Council Coffee Chat is an opportunity to stop by  
and informally talk with a Tukwila City Council  
member about anything on your mind  
regarding our community.**

## **Tukwila businesses among King County's 2011 Best Workplaces for Recycling/Waste Reduction**

King County's Solid Waste Division has named 89 local companies to its fifth annual "Best Workplaces for Recycling and Waste Reduction" list, and introduced a new business honor roll for companies that have made the list for five years in a row. Included on the Best list from Tukwila are Starfire Sports, the City of Tukwila and BECU.

As award winners, each business has put recycling programs into place and exhibited commitment to reducing the amount of waste their company sends to the landfill.

The 2011 list spans a wide array of businesses in King County including hospitals, medical services, professional services, retail, finance, government, arts and entertainment, who use innovative recycling and waste reduction strategies. To see the complete list of 2011 Best Workplaces for Recycling and Waste Reduction and to learn more about what these businesses are doing to improve recycling programs, visit [www.kingcounty.gov/recyclemore](http://www.kingcounty.gov/recyclemore).

## **COUNCIL CORNER**

Last year the City worked extremely hard to achieve \$8 million in spending reductions or revenue increases, at the expense of 20+ City employment positions and service reductions. This year's revenues remain nearly flat, a problem exacerbated by the Council's recent outlawing of gaming/card room casinos, which generate approximately \$2 million annually. Although the ban is slated to take full effect at the end of 2016, our City faces long-term deficit issues in the near future and likely for many years to come.

Tukwila has four options for addressing budget shortfalls: raising revenues, cutting programs/services, reducing total employee compensation, and cutting capital expenditures. Each option comes with its own issues and impacts.

Raising revenues, as we did last year with the new Revenue Generating Licensing Fee hits Tukwila's businesses hard, retaining utility taxes hits residents and businesses, and increasing our fees for services hits us all, be it an application for a building permit or attending a parks and recreation event.

Cutting programs and services forced the Council and Administration to focus and make choices on what is important, for example: Should Senior recreation take precedence over Youth or Adult? (We chose Youth first, Senior second, Adult third.) Should we reduce local fire support from an engine company to an aid unit? (Fire union members forgone their 2011 COLA allowed us to retain the engine.)

While the previously-mentioned 20+ positions were eliminated, employee pay and benefits remain under watch. As a

## **Gaming and the Budget Deficit Woes**

*By Allan Ekberg, 2011 Council President*

cost saving measure, the council is considering the concept of a regional fire authority which could merge Tukwila fire with the Kent regional fire authority.

As for cutting capital expenditures, the term "robbing Peter to pay Paul" applies. We've put off maintenance of several large capital facility items in our City, which will only cost more to fix in the future. Our central business district, aka the Southcenter area, has 40-year-old+ pipes in the ground, both water and sewer, that have begun to fail.

In order to address these and other issues, the Mayor and Council will conduct a finance-focused work session during the summer. With the loss of gaming revenue, our Finance Director has indicated that the six-year balanced budget we built last year will fail to support the City's budget needs. Our overall budget will not balance and will go into the red in Year 4, 5 or 6, depending on when casinos close down.

We will need to figure out how to distribute the budgetary pain as broadly as possible and do it in a way that is also generally viewed as equitable. While moving through budget review, we'll need to apply a long-term view wherever possible as we evaluate and consider each of the four options for dealing with the City's projected deficit.

Addressing the realities of our nation's current economy, NY Times columnist David Brooks recently provided this tidbit of food for thought: "This period of austerity will be a blessing if it spurs an effectiveness revolution. It will be a disaster if the cutting is done politically or mindlessly."



## TUKWILA'S SUMMER CONSTRUCTION

### Interurban Avenue South Gravity Sewer

The Interurban Avenue South Gravity Sewer Project is scheduled for construction this summer. The scope of the project is the installation of new side sewers to the businesses on the west side of the street beginning at 14973 Interurban Avenue South and ending at South 149th Street. The second phase of the project is the installation of new 12" sanitary sewer mains on the west side of Interurban, beginning at South 144th Street south to 14675 Interurban Avenue South (the Teamsters Building). Connection of the existing buildings to the new sanitary sewer will enable us to eliminate the outdated sewer lift station located at 14601 Interurban Ave South for significant savings.

### 2011 Overlay and Repair Program

Tukwila's annual Overlay and Repair Program for 2011 will provide pavement improvements on three City streets. Construction is planned during July, August and September at the following locations:

- Interurban Avenue S (56th Avenue S to S 143rd Street)
- East Marginal Way S (north City limits to S 81st Place)
- Andover Park West (intersection with Minkler Blvd)



### Small Drainage Program

The 2010/2011 Small Drainage Project will construct drainage improvements to nine different project sites throughout the City this summer. The sites include:

- Replacement of a failing conveyance pipe that drains South 128th Street west of East Marginal Way S.
- Adding a catch basin and storm pipe, on East Marginal Way South at South 94th Place.
- Replacement of a failed 12" storm pipe, south of S 116th Street on the west side of Tukwila International Blvd.
- Relining and replacing portions of the Southgate Creek conveyance storm pipe, near the 13800 block of Tukwila International Boulevard.
- Relining the Southgate Creek culvert, under South 140th Street.
- Relining a section of storm pipe, along S 122nd Street between 44th Avenue S and the Duwamish River.
- Installing a new drainage system, on 44th Avenue S between South 122nd and South 124th Streets.
- Installing a debris barrier and walkway, on the Regional Detention Facility on Gilliam Creek.
- Installing a debris barrier, on the Gilliam Creek culvert under Tukwila Parkway.

## June was a busy time for the Tukwila Urban Center Access Project



*Crews pouring concrete at the base of the new wall adjacent to the west side of the mall*

During this past month, crews poured concrete for the new Klickitat Drive bridge deck, which connects Klickitat Drive to Southcenter Parkway. Crews have begun excavation of a channel under the new Klickitat Drive bridge,

in order to accommodate the new southbound Southcenter Parkway lanes. The concrete traffic barrier was poured on the bridge deck and along the tops of the walls.

Construction is well underway for the large walls along the west side of the Southcenter Mall. Crews continue roadwork in front of McDonald's, which should be complete by

the end of July. Crews also completed the new Doubletree entrance. Drainage and utility work in the northwest portion of the project – along Strander Boulevard and by the Doubletree entrance – are nearly complete.

The project is currently on track to open Southcenter Parkway earlier than originally planned.

Visit the project website at [www.southcenteraccess.com](http://www.southcenteraccess.com) for current project updates, construction photos, and directions for shopping and dining in the Southcenter area!

*New Klickitat Drive bridge deck rebar*



Vote Takes Place On  
August 16, 2011

# Tukwila Pool

## Metropolitan Park District

### *VOTER FACT SHEET*

The City of Tukwila Pool, formerly the South Central Pool, was dedicated in 1973. The pool was funded by the 1968 Forward Thrust bond issue to expand King County's parks and recreation system. In 2003, as a result of budget difficulties in King County, the ownership of the pool was transferred to City of Tukwila.

The Tukwila Pool is a 15,650 square-foot facility that resides on land leased from the Tukwila School District. The Pool is located between Foster High School and Showalter Middle School on South 144<sup>th</sup> St. in Tukwila. Features include a six lane competition style pool that varies in depth from a 3 foot shallow end to a 12 foot deep end.

Now, the City of Tukwila does not have the resources or the capabilities in place to continue to manage, maintain, and operate the Tukwila Pool. On April 18, 2011, the Tukwila City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 1738 establishing August 16, 2011 as the date for an election. The question before the voters is regarding the formation of the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District. If passed the district would have the power to generate funds for the acquisition, maintenance, operation, capital improvement and/or construction expenditures for a pool facility within the boundaries of the City of Tukwila. Without Proposition No. 1 passing, the pool is scheduled to close on September 15, 2011.

#### CITY OF TUKWILA PROPOSITION NO. 1

##### FORMATION AND FUNDING OF TUKWILA POOL METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT

Tukwila Resolution No. 1738 proposes creation of the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District, coextensive with the City's boundaries pursuant to RCW 35.61, including the authority to levy a general tax on property with the District each year, not to exceed 15 cents per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, for the purpose of acquiring and operating a pool facility.

The Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District is to be governed by the City Council of the City of Tukwila, serving as the Board of Commissioners in an ex officio capacity.

[ ] For the formation of a Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District to be governed by the Tukwila City Council, serving as the Board of Commissioners.

[ ] Against the formation of a Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District.

##### **Explanatory Statement:**

If approved by the voters, this ballot measure would authorize the creation of the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District, encompassing the same boundaries as the City of Tukwila. The City of Tukwila currently owns, operates and maintains the City of Tukwila Pool. The City does not have the resources to continue to manage, maintain and operate the pool. If this proposition is approved, the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District would be created to acquire, maintain and operate the Tukwila Pool.

The District would have all the powers enumerated in Ch. 35.61 RCW including the power to levy an annual tax on all taxable property within the district in an amount not to exceed 15 cents per \$1000 of assessed valuation. The District would also have the authority to issue debt and to exercise the right of eminent domain. The District would be governed by the Tukwila City Council, serving as the board of commissioners.

**Questions? Contact:** Rick Still, City of Tukwila Parks and Recreation Director, 206-767-2344 or [tukparks@tukwilaWA.gov](mailto:tukparks@tukwilaWA.gov)

For additional information concerning the conduct of this election, contact King County records and Elections.

206-296-VOTE (8683)

206-296-0109 TTY

206-296-0108 FAX

Voter registration absentee ballot requests:

206-296-8683

Language services available in 120 languages.

# What's New(s) in Human Services

Human Services Office  
Evie – 206-433-7180 Stacy – 206-433-7181  
tukhserv@ci.tukwila.wa.us

## Minor Home Repair returns to Tukwila



"I felt very comfortable asking for help and it would not have been possible to get things done without their help, and I am a widow." "Everyone has been most kind and helpful. Thanks to all."

These are a few com-

ments from satisfied clients about Tukwila's Minor Home Repair program. Low- and moderate-income homeowners can once again receive help from local, experienced contractors with their minor home repair needs. Residents will qualify by income; they are required to have owned their home for a year, and not have any intentions of selling the home. Once qualified, services will be provided free to the

resident. Health and safety needs will be top priority, but all non-cosmetic jobs will be considered. To make the program available to as many homeowners as possible, there will be a cap to the dollar value of repairs that residents will qualify for.

Funded by federal Community Development Block Grant funds through coordination with King County, these funds are slated for further cuts in 2012. It is possible that this program may only last through 2011.

Information about program policies can be found on the City of Tukwila's website in the Human Services section. Past homeowners have received help in the areas of small electrical and plumbing jobs, interior and exterior carpentry, and more. All repairs are made to the structure of the home.

To take advantage of the program or if you have any questions, please call Human Services Manager Evie Boykan at 206-433-7180.

## Local resources available

Parking lots may appear to be filled with shoppers but, for many of our residents, it's still a challenge to put food on the table or pay housing and utility bills. Tukwila's Office of Human Services deals with many who are experiencing un- or under-employment. Often these are residents that have lived in Tukwila for years. They may have children in the school district, or they may have been trying to make it on their own or with a roommate. The price of gas, the price of food, the cool weather – all have contributed to taking a greater bite out of family budgets. Local resources can help.

The **Tukwila Pantry** is open for food resources three times a week: on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 1:30–2:30PM, and Saturdays from 12:30–2:30PM. A free dinner is available on Tuesday evenings at the **Riverton Park United Methodist Church**, the same building where the food pantry operates.

There are fewer places, yet there's increased demand for rent and utility assistance. Getting your call through busy lines may be difficult. The best strategy is to be persistent, and make your call at the beginning of the month. Energy assistance funds from the **Multi-Service Center** are still available, though appointments fill up quickly. Callers should try calling at off-hours to gain access to the help line – 1-800-348-7144. Tukwila's Human Services staff are available to

help a resident identify resources to try; call 206-433-7180 or 206-433-7181.

Free clothing for children is available through a collaboration between **Kids Without Borders**, community volunteers, and the Fellowship Bible Church. Call them at 206-242-7767.

The City of Tukwila has joined the City of Seattle in offering a **FREE Summer Sack Lunch Program**. This program is for youth ages 1 to 18 years. Lunches available:

Cascade View Community Park *	Tu/Wed/Th	Noon–12:30PM
Tukwila Community Center	Mon–Fri	11:15AM–12:15PM
Thorndyke Elementary	Mon–Fri	11:00AM–11:30AM
Foster High School	Mon–Fri	11:00AM–1:30PM

Breakfast is available:

Thorndyke Elementary	Mon–Fri	8:00AM–8:30AM
Foster High School	Mon–Fri	7:30AM–8:00AM

Snack is available:

Tukwila Community Center	Mon–Fri	3:30PM–4:30PM
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\* Tukwila offers a **FREE Playground Program** at Cascade View Community Park. Kids ages 5–12 can enjoy drop-in games and activities on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11:00AM to 2:00PM.

Crisis Clinic (24-hour line) 206-461-3222 1-866-427-4747 Online: [www.crisisclinic.org](http://www.crisisclinic.org)





## Where does your recycling go?

When we recycle at home, we are starting the recycling process. Recycling involves a lot more than just the collection of materials. Those materials need to be picked up, processed and turned into a new product, and that product needs to be marketed and sold. Only then can recycling be considered a success.

Each type and even sub-types of material often need to be sorted and processed in different ways, to get the maximum value out of them. For example, among the different grades of paper collected, office paper – especially when collected in large quantities from commercial buildings – has high value and is often used to make recycled-content toilet paper.

Recycling is a business. Haulers don't want to collect a material unless they can make money selling it. Recycling haulers and processors find various markets for the materials; they usually do not want to reveal their exact markets publicly, for competitive business reasons. Items that are recycled in Tukwila may find their final markets overseas, or perhaps just

a few miles away. Local markets include the Nucor steel mill in West Seattle and the Verallia glass bottle plant in South Seattle. Nucor turns tin cans, appliances and scrap metal into rebar (reinforcing steel bar) used for construction. Verallia makes wine bottles partly from the crushed pieces of glass bottles collected in the Northwest and British Columbia.

The journey of collected recyclable materials can get complicated. Grays Harbor Paper Mill in Hoquiam made 100% recycled-content office paper. The paper pulp used was most recently supplied by a mill in Oregon that makes the pulp from recycled paper collected from various sources. Sadly, Grays Harbor Paper was unable to make it financially and closed its doors in May after 18 years, resulting in the loss of 240 recycling-industry jobs. This unexpected mill closure shows just how important it is for all of us to buy products made from recycled materials to keep recycling alive.

Recycled-content products are increasingly available, from toilet paper to compost. Look for them when you shop.

*(Info from Tom Watson, King County Solid Waste)*

## Residential Recycling event a success!

On May 25, 401 carloads of "hard to recycle" material arrived at Tukwila's Spring Recycling Collection Event, held at the future Tukwila Village site on Tukwila International Boulevard. Nearly 21 tons – 41,652 pounds – of material was collected (an average of 104 pounds of material per vehicle). The event also included the sale of recycled-content rain barrels to Tukwila residents.

Highlights of the event included the collection of:

- 7,260 lbs. of scrap metals, appliances, and electronic equipment (to be recycled and reused)
- 16,770 lbs. of computers, electronic equipment, cell phones, etc. (to be sorted & recycled)
- 5 used refrigerators and freezers (ozone-depleting chemicals and gas removed from these units and disposed of properly)
- 15 propane tanks (to be re-used through Blue Rhino Cylinder Exchange Service or recycled as scrap metal through Seattle Iron & Metals – 750 lbs.)
- 3,940 lbs. of bulky/scrap wood (to be processed)
- 4,559 lbs. of reusable household goods (collected by the Northwest Center for resale through their retail outlets, proceeds going to charity programs)
- 230 gallons of used motor oil and petroleum-based products (to be re-refined into new motor oil or reused as bunker fuel – 1,702 lbs.)
- 30 gallons of used anti-freeze (this toxic liquid to be recycled into new anti-freeze – 240 pounds)
- 18 used oil filters (to be drained of oil and the scrap metal recycled – 50 pounds)
- 55 used tires (to be re-treaded if in good condition; if not, chipped and made into products like garden hoses, playground mats, road bedding, or burned as fuel – 1,375 pounds)
- 10 lead acid batteries (to be dismantled, the acid disposed of properly, and the cores recycled into new batteries – 360 pounds)
- 2,540 household batteries (to be dismantled, the hazardous material disposed of properly, and the cores recycled into new batteries – 254 pounds)
- 17 toilets and sinks (porcelain material to be processed into concrete material – 1,425 pounds)
- 680 pounds of cardboard.
- 9 cubic yards of Styrofoam – 207 pounds)
- 11 mattresses and futons (collected for recycling efforts at the WA State Dept. of Corrections – 330 pounds)

# CITY DIRECTORY

## TUKWILA CITY HALL

6200 Southcenter Boulevard  
Hours: Monday–Friday, 8:30AM–5:00PM  
Telephone: 206-433-1800  
Fax number: 206-433-1833  
Website: TukwilaWA.gov  
E-mail: tukwila@TukwilaWA.gov

## TUKWILA CITY COUNCIL

Allan Ekberg, Pres. ....206-241-6904  
Joe Duffie (beeper #) .....206-994-7229  
Joan Hernandez .....206-248-0260  
Dennis Robertson.....206-242-6373  
Verna Seal.....206-293-3274  
Kathy Hougardy.....206-571-0007  
De'Sean Quinn .....206-241-0225  
Kimberly Matej, Analyst .....206-433-1834

## CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

7:00PM in Council Chambers

Regular Meetings ..... 1st/3rd Mondays  
Work Meetings .....2nd/4th Mondays

## CITY OFFICES

### Mayor's Office

Jim Haggerton, Mayor .....206-433-1805  
Steve Lancaster, City Admin...206-433-1851  
City Clerk's Office .....206-433-1800  
Economic Development .....206-433-1832  
Human Services .....206-433-7180  
Municipal Court.....206-433-1840  
Tourism/Marketing.....206-575-2489

### Community Development Dept.

Jack Pace, Director .....206-431-3670  
Code Enforcement .....206-431-3682

### Finance Department

Shawn Hunstock, Director ....206-433-1835

### Fire Department

Nick Olivas, Chief .....206-575-4404

### Human Resources Department

Stephanie Brown, Director ....206-433-1831  
Personnel.....206-433-1831  
City Job Line .....206-433-1828

### Information Technology Department

Mary Miotke, Director .....206-433-7150

### Parks/Recreation Department

Rick Still, Director .....206-767-2342

### Police Department

Mike Villa, Chief .....206-433-1808

### Public Works Department

Bob Giberson, Director.....206-433-0179

### Emergency

Fire, Police.....911

## TUKWILA COMMUNITY CENTER

12424 - 42nd Avenue South  
Recreation Division .....206-768-2822  
Senior Center/Services.....206-767-2323

## TUKWILA CITY POOL

4414 S. 144th Street.....206-267-2350

## FOSTER GOLF LINKS

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Pro Shop .....206-242-4221

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## Award-Winning Parks and Recreation

Tukwila Parks and Recreation was recently recognized by the Washington Recreation and Park Association with two awards. Selected as the Best Regional Program was *Camp Wrinkle Ranch*, a collaborative program among the Senior Centers of Tukwila, Auburn, Burien, Bonney Lake, Federal Way, Puyallup and University Place, who were also recognized. This annual event is an overnight camping trip to the Falls Creek Retreat Center 35 miles west of Chehalis, which features hiking trails, a fishing pond, horseshoes, fire pits, tastefully decorated rooms, and more. Staff from the various agencies plan and lead activities that are fun, active, and build camaraderie.

*Codiga Park* received the Best Park Design award for a Class II city. After acquiring the site of this pioneer dairy farm along the Duwamish River in 1988, Tukwila worked with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to restore tidal hydrology, provide channel for salmon habitat, and provide refuge for waterfowl at the site. Once the channel work was completed in 2006, the City moved toward restoring the estuary through partnerships and the work of volunteer groups who began working to clear invasive plants and provide native plant species in the channel area and along the riverbank. Design for development and construction of the upland park area began in summer 2007, with goals of restoring the site to reflect the historical significance of the area, work with existing features, and provide amenities that take advantage of the easiest access point in the City to the river. Construction began in September 2009, and the park was dedicated in May 2010. Codiga Park's "Barn" picnic shelter was specifically designed – and placed in the exact location and orientation as the old barn – to represent the site's history. Walkways lead to natural trails to access the river, and picnic tables and benches provide a place to take a lunch break and observe nature.

Codiga Park is located at 12535 – 50th Place South. This year's Camp Wrinkle Ranch trip will be September 13–15. Registration is currently underway. For more information on this program, please call TCC at 206-768-2822.

